

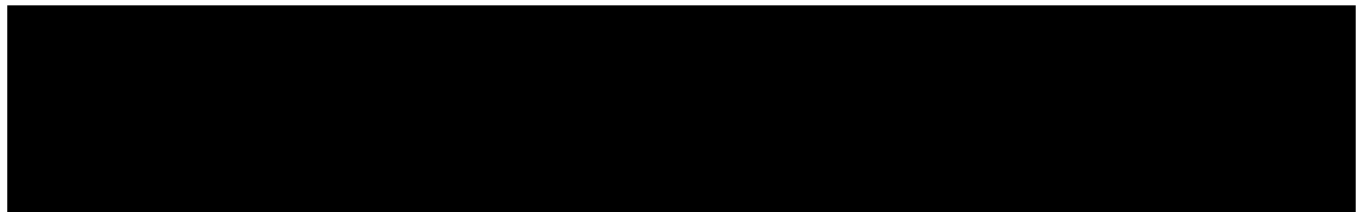
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PHOTOGRAPHIC INTELLIGENCE BRIEF  
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INSTALLATION: Railroad Lines  
LOCATION: Semipalatinsk Area, USSR  
B. E. NUMBER: None  
WAC NUMBER: 239

BRIEF NO.: B-3-58  
DATE: 30 January 1958  
LAT.: 50° 25' N  
LONG.: 80° 16' E



REFERENCES:

USSR Railroad Systems, 1956. CIA Map 13739 7-55 (1st rev. 12-56)  
USSR Railroads. NIS Map 16078, AMS, 11-50

REQUIREMENT RR/HTA/G/R14/57: Confirm or deny existence and description of railroads in the Semipalatinsk area as shown on the maps referenced above.

REMARKS:

Semipalatinsk-Chagan Railroad: A new 80-kilometer single track railroad has been constructed west from Semipalatinsk, south of the Irtys River, to Chagan (50°37'N - 79°15'E). Although it could not be determined whether or not the rail line continues west beyond Chagan, a rail line does run south from Chagan approximately seven kilometers to Dolan Airfield. This new airfield, which is still under construction, has a runway approximately 12,000 feet long.

Semipalatinsk-Kulunda Railroad: Photographic coverage, which extends approximately 20 kilometers northwest from Semipalatinsk, indicates that this railroad has been abandoned. Trackage has been removed and vegetation is evident on the abandoned roadbed.

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Semipalatinsk-Barnaul Railroad: Photographic coverage of this railroad line, which extends for approximately 200 kilometers northeast of Semipalatinsk, confirms alignment as indicated on the referenced CIA and NIS maps. This line alternates between single and double track, and there are indications that the entire line is to be double-tracked.

Semipalatinsk--Alma-Ata Railroad: Photographic coverage of this railroad line, which extends for approximately 80 kilometers southeast of Semipalatinsk, confirms the referenced CIA and NIS maps.